Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 05 Feb 2021 until 23:59 on Saturday 06 Feb 2021

Forecast Issued on Thursday 04 Feb 2021 at 16:58 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for cold weather continuing. Lower confidence on frequency and intensity of snow showers over weekend and into next week.

Headline for Friday 05 Feb 2021: Cold and windy with further outbreaks of snow, becoming lighter and mostly confined to east of area.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 05 Feb 2021

Blizzards
Medium Likelihood

Heavy Snow
Medium Likelihood

Storm force winds
Low Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Light snow	Light snow	Light snow
Precipitation probability							
80%	70%	50%	50%	50%	60%	50%	40%

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Weather: Cloudy with further outbreaks of snow, heavy during the morning especially over the Trossachs. The snow then becoming lighter during the afternoon with drier weather developing towards Lochaber, Mull and Glencoe. Blowing of existing snow will continue to hazard in all areas.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30% towards west coast. Little chance elsewhere.

Visibility: Extensive cloud cover, well down the hills in many areas with blowing snow resulting in whiteout conditions. Pockets of good visibility developing over hills towards West Coast with clouds lifting above some of the tops.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	58/70 E	50/62 E	52/65 E	54/68 E	48/62 E	41/54 E	40/52 E	37/49 E	33/44 E
900	44/56 SE	39/50 E	40/53 E	43/56 E	40/53 E	35/48 E	34/46 E	33/46 E	30/42 E
600	52/62 E	44/54 E	47/58 E	50/62 E	47/59 E	38/49 E	37/47 E	34/45 E	29/39 E
300	31/47 E	23/36 E	22/35 E	22/34 E	25/40 E	20/32 E	16/27 E	13/23 NE	11/18 E
Glen	13/23 NE	16/30 NE	15/28 NE	14/26 NE	13/25 NE	14/28 NE	13/27 NE	13/26 NE	12/25 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-6/-18	-5/-17	-5/-17	-6/-18	-6/-18	-7/-18	-7/-18	-7/-18	-8/-18
900	-3/-14	-3/-13	-3/-13	-3/-13	-3/-13	-4/-13	-4/-14	-4/-14	-5/-14
600	2/-8	1/-8	1/-8	0/-9	0/-9	-1/-10	-1/-10	-2/-10	-2/-10
300	1/-6	2/-5	2/-4	2/-4	2/-5	2/-4	1/-4	1/-4	0/-4
Glen	3/-1	3/-2	4/-1	4/-0	4/-1	4/-1	3/-1	3/-2	2/-2
Freezing Level*	400m	400m	500m	400m	400m	400m	300m	200m	100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

A hazardous day in the hills due to combination of gale force winds, sub-zero temperatures drifting and blowing snow.

Forecast for Saturday 06 Feb 2021

Weather: Rather cloudy over the Arrochar Alps and the Trossachs with further snow showers. Drier and brighter further west and also up towards Glencoe and Lochaber with some sunshine and just a few light snow flurries. Another bitterly cold day everywhere.

Maximum wind: Easterly winds with average speeds of 30mph and gusts 45mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 60% in west of area but little chance in east.

Visibility: Generally good in west of area with clouds lifting above the tops at times. Often poor in east with extensive cloud cover about 600m. Also blowing snow leading to whiteout conditions.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 2 Celsius rising briefly to plus 2 Celsius.
At 800m: Minus 5 Celsius.
Freezing level: Temperatures below freezing at all levels.

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